

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY)
FOR AN ANNUAL UPDATE IN THE GAS) PSC DOCKET NO. 12-420
ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE RIDER RATE)
(FILED AUGUST 31, 2012))

Pursuant to the environmental remediation recovery mechanism approved in PSC Order No. 6401 (April 20, 2004) in Docket No. 04-53, Delmarva Power & Light Company ("DP&L" or the "Company") has filed an application (the "Application") with the Commission proposing an increase in the Environmental Surcharge Rider ("ESR") from a positive surcharge of \$0.00013 per ccf to \$0.00021 per ccf for all firm delivery customers, with the increased rate to become effective with

usage on and after November 1, 2012, with proration, subject to modification and refund after an evidentiary hearing.

For a typical residential space heating customer using 120 ccf of gas in a winter month, the effect of the proposed ESR rate change will be an increase in the monthly winter bill of approximately 1 cent (0.01%).

By Order No. 8218 dated September 18, 2012, the Commission permitted the proposed rates to become effective with usage on and after November 1, 2012, with proration, subject to modification and refund after an evidentiary hearing.

On November 5, 2012 at 1:00 p.m., the Commission will consider whether to grant Delmarva's Application. The evidentiary hearing will be held at the Commission's office located at 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building, Suite 100, Dover, Delaware 19904. The Commission will render a decision based upon the evidence presented to it at this evidentiary hearing.

The Commission encourages the public to submit written comments on or before October 16, 2012, but the last date to submit written comments will be on **October 31, 2012**. Please send these written comments to the Commission's address listed above and note the "attention to" as "PSC Docket No. 12-420."

If you wish to formally participate as a party in this matter, with the right to present evidence and be represented by counsel, you must file with the Commission a written petition asking for leave to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's

Rules of Practice and Procedure (26 Del. Admin. C. §1001-2.9) **on or before Tuesday, October 2, 2012.** All such petitions should be sent to the Commission's address listed above with attention to "PSC Docket No.12-420." Petitions for intervention that are not received by the Commission **on or before October 2, 2012,** will not be granted unless good cause is shown. If intervention status is granted, any intervenor wishing to oppose the Application must file written pre-filed testimony with the Commission on or before **October 16, 2012.** Any submissions sent by an intervenor that are not received by the Commission **on or before October 16, 2012,** will not be considered. Such written submissions shall also be served on the persons identified in Order No. 8218 in this docket.

You are invited to review Delmarva's Application and supporting documents to determine how your interests may be affected. You may review documents posted on the Commission's website at <http://depsec.delaware.gov/default.shtml>. If you would like to review documents at the Commission's offices, please contact Monica Hall at monica.hall@state.de.us to arrange a time for your review. You may also review copies of the Company's Application and supporting documents at the office of the Division of the Public Advocate located at the Carvel State Office Building, 4th Floor, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. Please call (302) 577-5077 to arrange for a time to review the documents at that location.

If you wish to request copies of documents in this matter, please submit a Freedom of Information Act Request Form. This form may be

found at <http://smu.portal.delaware.gov/cgi-bin/mail.php?foia-request&subj=DOS>. There is also a link to the Freedom of Information Act Request Form on the Commission's website at <http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/default.shtml>. The Commission will respond to your request in accordance with the Delaware Freedom of Information Act, 29 Del. C. ch. 100.

If you have a disability and wish to participate or to review the materials in this matter, please contact the Commission to discuss any auxiliary aids or services you might need to help you. You may contact the Commission in person, by writing, by telephone (including text telephone), by Internet e-mail, or other means.

If you have questions about this matter, you may call the Commission at 1-800-282-8574 (toll-free in Delaware) or (302) 736-7500 (voice and text telephone). You may also send questions regarding this matter by Internet e-mail addressed to Malika Davis at malika.davis@state.de.us.